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Dear Sir:

The following claim amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add Claims 11-19 as follows:

11. A microcontroller network for diagnosing and managing the conditions of a computer, the microcontroller network comprising:

a microcontroller bus; and

a plurality of microcontrollers that are interconnected by the microcontroller bus and wherein the microcontrollers manage the conditions of the computer.